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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111(C)

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated August 28, 2006, 2006 having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire November 28, 2006, having been extended for one month so as to expire on December 28, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on Page 7 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 8 of this paper.